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G.O.(P) No.28/2026/H&FWD *Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 28th February, 2026*
16th Kumbham, 1201

S. R. O. No. 310/2026

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 32 B of the Drugs and Cosmetics act, 1940(Central Act 23 of 1940), read with sub-rule (2) of rule 3 of the Drugs and Cosmetics (Compounding of Offences) Rules, 2025, the Government of Kerala hereby appoints the Drugs Controller, Kerala, as the compounding authority for the purpose of

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exercising powers and functions of the State Government in respect of compounding of offences and for taking measures with respect to the matters arising from the said rules.

By order of the Governor,

DR. RAJAN NAMDEV KHOBRAGADE I A S

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Drugs and Cosmetics (Compounding of Offences) Rules, 2025, issued vide G.S.R.259 (E) dated 24th April, 2025 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, provide for the compounding of offences under Section 32B of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940(Central Act 23 of 1940). Under sub-rule(2) of rule 3 of the said rules, the State Government is empowered to appoint officers not below the rank of the reporting authority as the Compounding Authority for exercising powers and functions in connection with compounding of offences. The Government of Kerala have decided to appoint the Drugs Controller, Kerala as the compounding authority.

Rule 2(e) further defines the reporting authority as the licensing authority having jurisdiction over the place where the offence has been or is alleged to have been committed. In Kerala, all manufacturing units and other pharmaceutical establishments, function under the respective jurisdiction of the six Assistant Drugs Controllers who is the licensing authority under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.

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